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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE: REMOVAL OF UK RESERVATIONS

REF: A. USNATO 2500; B. USNATO 2323 (NOTAL)

UK DELEGATION HAS CIRCULATED LETTER TO ASYG HUMPHREYS, QUOTED BELOW, WHICH REMOVES UK RESERVATIONS ON WARNING OF WAR AND RESOURCES SECTIONS OF MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE. PARAGRAPHS 5 AND 7 OF REF A PERTAIN.

BEGIN TEXT:

1. I AM PLEASED TO BE ABLE TO INFORM YOU THAT, AS A RESULT OF FURTHER CONSULTATIONS WITH LONDON FOLLOWING YESTERDAY'S DPC MEETING, WE ARE NOW PREPARED TO WITHDRAW BOTH AMENDMENTS PROPOSEDC BY SIR EDWARD PECK TO PARAGRAPHS 23 AND 38. WE CAN, THEREFORE, ACCEPT THE TEXT OF DPC/D(75)4(DRAFT) AS IT STANDS.
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2. I SHOULD MAKE THE POINT, HOWEVER, THAT MY AUTHORITIES ARE STILL CONCERNED THAT THE FINAL SENTENCE OF PARAGRAPH 23 CAN BE READ TO MEAN THAT NATO WOULD GET NO WARNING AT ALL IN THE EVENT OF A WARSAW PACT SURPRISE CONVENTIONAL ATTACK WITH LIMITED

OBJECTIVES. WE BELIEVE THAT SUCH AN INTERPRETATION IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE CURRENT DRAFT OF MC 161/75, AND IT IS POSSIBLE THAT MR MASON WILL WISH TO CLARIFY THIS POINT AT THE MINISTERIAL MEETING.

3. I AM SENDING A COPY OF THIS LETTER TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE DRC.

END TEXT.BRUCE

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